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SUBJECT: OMAN RESPONSE TO FINCEN 314(A) NOTICE ON SYRIA

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This is an action request. Please see paragraph 2.

[1](#)1. The government of Oman has formally requested clarification on the following points regarding reftel demarche on financial assets of persons implicated in the assassination of Lebanese Prime Minister Hariri:

-- Pursuant to which principle can such an advisory notice be issued to financial institutions?

-- Is there an international resolution on this matter?

-- Since those individuals mentioned are still only under suspicion, on which legal grounds can such procedures be taken against them?

[1](#)2. Embassy requests a response to these questions as soon as possible.  
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